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TO AMCONSUL HONG KONG

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, HK

SUBJECT: TEXTILE AGREEMENT VISA SYSTEM

1. U.S. CUSTOMS REPORTS THAT MAJOR IMPORTERS OF HONG KONG APPAREL HAVE ALREADY ROUTED MERCHANDISE THROUGH VANCOUVER AND OTHER CANADIAN PORTS FOR ENTRY TO UNITED STATES AND HAVE PLANS FOR LARGE SCALE CIRCUMVENTION OF THE HONG KONG EXPOR; LICENSING SYSTEM. DURING TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS IN MAY, PETER TSAO DISCUSSED THIS PROBLEM AND SUGGESTED THAT A VISA SYSTEM SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED.

2. WE ACCEPT PETER TSAO'S PRPOSAL THAT HONG KONG EXPORT LICENSE BE THE VISA. IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE PROBLEMS, WE BELIEVE VISA LETTERS SHOULD BE EXCHANGED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. PLEASE CONTACT TSAO AND, IF HE AGREES IN PRINCIPLE, WE WILL PRINT NOTICE IN FEDERAL REGISTER THAT THE UNITED STATES AND HONG KONG HAVE AGREED TO ESTABLISH V.;A SYSTEM WHICH WILL BE DESCRIBEDINDETAIL AFTER ESTABLISHING LETTERS ARE EXCHANGED. THIS WILL ENABLE EARLIER

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EFFECTIVE DATE WHICH HONG KONG AND U.S. WILL AGREE ON. WE

ARE SE'DING DRAFT OF ADMINISTRATIVE LETTER ESTABLISHING
SYSTEM BY SEPTTEL. ROBINSON

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